Johnson Lake State Recreation Site Campground FY2008 Request: \$300,000 Rehabilitation Phase 2 Reference No: AMD41421

AP/AL: Allocation Project Type: Deferred Maintenance

Category: Natural Resources

Location: Kenai Areawide Contact: Nico Bus

House District: Kenai Areawide **Contact Phone:** (907)465-2406

Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2007 - 06/30/2008 **Appropriation:** State Parks Maintenance Projects

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

Johnson Lake State Recreation Area's campground is located within a 332 acre recreation area near mile 111 of the Sterling Highway and near Kasilof, on the Kenai Peninsula. This campground is heavily used by families and others engaged in sport fishing on the nearby Kasilof River or clam digging at Clam Gulch, several miles away. The oldest section of the campground was constructed in the 1960's, with the most recent major rehabilitation done in the early 1980's. It is a much loved site in dire need of rehabilitation to make it safe, useable for park visitors using the large motor homes and trailers of today, and accessible to persons with physical disabilities.

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Funding:	FY2008	FY2009	FY2010	FY2011	FY2012 F	FY2013	Total
Gen Fund	\$300,000						\$300,000
Total:	\$300,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$300,000
☐ State Match Required ☐ One-Time Project			☐ Phased - new		☑ Phased - underway	√ □ On-Going	
0% = Minimum State Match % Required			Amendment		☐ Mental Health Bill		
Operating &	Amount	<u>S</u>	<u>Staff</u>				
Project Development:				0	0		
Ongoing Operating:				rating:	0		0
One-Time Startup:				tartup:	0		

Totals:

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

SLA06/CH82 - \$290,000

Project Description/Justification:

This will be the second phase of the deferred maintenance of Johnson Lake SRA, resolving persistent problems of conflict between boat launching, day use and campers. This project will relocate the launch and day use area to separate the uses from the campground. Campsites will be restored and relocated to protect sensitive lake habitat.

Why is this Project Needed Now: Johnson Lake is one of the oldest campgrounds on the Kenai Peninsula and is in dire need of rehabilitation. Johnson Lake campground currently has 50 campsites and 25 picnic sites that have almost 24,000 visitors annually. Many of the facilities and amenities are almost two decades old and are beyond the capabilities of the maintenance personnel to safely maintain.

Specific Spending Detail:

Project will be completed through contract awards administered through the State Parks Design and Construction section. Personal services will be incurred by using state parks landscape architect, environmental impact analyst, and engineers.

Line Item Expenditures:
Personal Services \$40.0
Travel \$20.0
Services \$240.0

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Project Support:

State Park visitors, Alaska Travel Industry Alliance, Kenai Peninsula Tourism Marketing Council, State Park Advisory Board, local Chambers of Commerce, recreational user groups, and highway travelers, 78.7% of the individuals surveyed statewide for the Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan, State of Alaska Deferred maintenance Needs July 2005.